

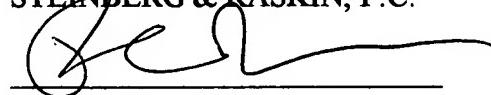
**REMARKS**

Claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 17 and 21 have been amended herein to remove multiple dependancies therefrom and to correct a minor informality in claim 11. Claim 23 has been canceled.

An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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